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FM AMCONSUL RIO DE JANEIRO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2318

INFO AMEMBASSY BRASILIA

AMCONSUL SAO PAULO

AMCONSUL SALVADOR

AMCONSUL BELEM

UNCLAS RIO DE JANEIRO 0936

DEPT PASS: CMDT ICAF FT MCNAIR WASHDC/RMGT

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SUBJ: ICAF VISIT

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1. MAY 10 HOTEL RESERVATIONS CANCELLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTEL.

2. FOLLOWING ARE ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS POSED REFTEL:

A) BOTH DINERS CLUB AND AMERICAN EXPRESS CREDIT CARDS
GENERALLY ACCEPTED IN RIO. HOWEVER, HOTEL RATES FOR ICAF
GROUP INCLUDE TEN PERCENT DISCOUNT WHICH WILL NOT REPEAT NO
APPLY IF ICAF GROUP MEMBERS USE CREDIT CARDS. CURRENCY OR
TRAVELERS CHECKS IN DOLLARS CAN BE EXCHANGED AT OFFICIAL RATE
(CURRENTLY CR\$7.695 EQUALS US\$1.00) AT AIRPORT OR HOTEL,
AND PERSONAL CHECKS AT CONSULATE GENERAL.

B) ICAF GROUP SCHEDULE CALLS FOR RIO DEPARTURE AT 15:30 HOURS
MAY 20 FOR BELEM. SCHEDULE AS PRESENTLY ESTABLISHED WILL
REQUIRE ICAF GROUP TO GO DIRECTLY TO AIRPORT FROM CNC MEETING.
ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE FOR EARLY MORNING CHECK-OUT AND PRIOR
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TRANSPORTATION OF BAGGAGE TO AIRPORT. HOTEL MAY PERMIT WIVES

TO STAY IN ROOMS UNTIL DEPARTURE FOR AIRPORT. WIVES CAN TRAVEL SEPARATELY TO AIRPORT.

C) HOTEL DEBRET TELEPHONE NO. IS 256-2750. CABLE ADDRESS IS DEBRETTEL.

D) ELECTRIC OUTLET VOLTAGE IS 110-120 (SAME AS U.S.). EUROPEAN STYLE PLUG OUTLETS GENERALLY IN USE.

3. WE EXPECT ESCOLA SUPERIOR DE GUERRA (ESG) TO PROVIDE BUS TRANSPORTATION DURING ENTIRE STAY IN RIO AT NO COST TO ICAF GROUP. AN INTERPRETER-GUIDE CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR WEEKEND (MAY 17-18) SIGHT-SEEING AT APPROXIMATELY US\$25.00-30.00 PER DAY. NO INTERPRETER REQUIRED FOR SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES. POSSIBLE WEEKEND ACTIVITIES WILL BE DISCUSSED IN FORTHCOMING LETTER FROM RIO CONTROL OFFICER TO TRIP DIRECTOR. AIRPORT DEPARTURE TAX IS CR\$27.00 FOR INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS AND CR\$7.00 FOR DOMESTIC.

4. FIVE AND ONE-HALF HOUR RIO STOPOVER ON MAY 11 INCLUDES CLEARING CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION, CUTTING INTO TIME AVAILABLE FOR GUIDED TOUR AND LUNCHEON REQUESTED REFTEL. ADDITIONALLY, GROUP WILL HAVE TO RETURN TO AIRPORT 45 MINUTES PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR BRASILIA. TAKING ABOVE INTO CONSIDERATION, AS WELL AS AIRPORT LOCATION AND TRAFFIC CONDITIONS, MOST THAT CAN BE EXPECTED IS QUICK TRIP INTO CITY AND LUNCH.

5. ICAF RIO ITINERARY DISCUSSED TAHER/STEEN LETTER DATED MARCH 17.
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